

A SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR STRATEGIC POWER SUPPLY SEQUENCING  
IN A COMPUTER SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A system and method are provided for strategic power  
supply sequencing in a computer system. The system and  
method includes a plurality of processing resources that  
process data and a plurality of power supplies that  
10 provide power for the processing resources. A power  
management engine adjusts the power supplies in response  
to processing resource changes to optimize power  
consumption. The power management engine brings online  
power supplies to meet the demand created by bringing  
15 online additional processing resources and brings offline  
power supplies to meet the decreased demand caused by a  
decrease in the number of processing resources. Also,  
the power management engine rotates which power supplies  
operate to take advantage of more efficient power  
supplies and to extend the lives of the power supplies.  
The power management engine also adjusts the power  
supplies in advance based upon predicted demand levels  
for the computer system.

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